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Serial No.: 10/086,035

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For: RIBBON DRIVE AND TENSIONING  
SYSTEM FOR A PRINT AND  
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Inventor: Ullenius

Art Unit: 2861

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Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, respectfully requests a report as to the status of the Communication which was filed on June 29, 2004 for the above-identified patent application. A copy of the Communication without the attachments is enclosed herewith. The online records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the Communication has been received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, but as of today, August 16, 2004, Applicants have not received a response thereto. Applicants respectfully request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office issue a Response to the aforementioned Communication or contact the undersigned via telephone number (312) 704-1890 or via facsimile number (312) 704-8023.

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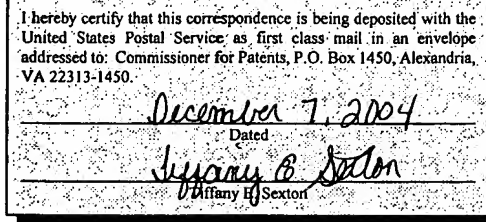
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**FOURTH STATUS INQUIRY**

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Applicant, by and through its attorneys of record, again respectfully request a report as to the status of the Communication which was originally filed on June 29, 2004 for the above-identified patent application. A copy of the Communication without the attachments is enclosed herewith. The online records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the Communication has been received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, but as of today, December 7, 2004, Applicants have not received a response thereto.

In addition, Applicants submitted a first Status Inquiry on August 17, 2004, copy enclosed, and requested to be made aware of the status of the afore-mentioned Communication. The online records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the Status Inquiry was received on September 13, 2004, however, no notification was ever received by Applicant in connection with the first Status Inquiry. Therefore, Applicant submitted a Second Status Inquiry on October 5, 2004, copy enclosed. The online records of the United States Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the Second Status Inquiry was received on October 8, 2004, but again no notification was ever received regarding the Second Status Inquiry. On November 5, 2004, Applicants submitted a Third Status Inquiry, copy enclosed, to the United States Patent and Trademark Office. The online records of the Patent and Trademark Office indicate that the Third Status Inquiry was received on November 9, 2004, but as of the date of this Fourth Status

Inquiry no notification has been received regarding any of the previously sent Status Inquiries.

Applicants are now submitting a Fourth Status Inquiry to respectfully request that the United States Patent and Trademark Office issue a Response to the afore-mentioned Communication or contact the undersigned via telephone number (312) 704-1890 or via facsimile number (312) 704-8023.

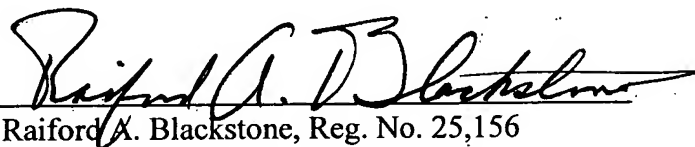
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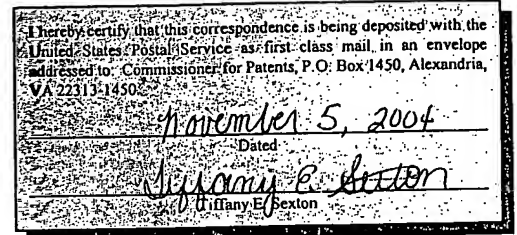


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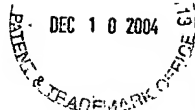
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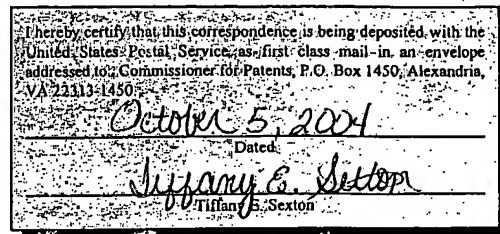


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Sir:

Applicants are in receipt of the Notice of Allowance mailed on June 17, 2004 for the  
above-designated application. Applicants request to be advised of the following:

1. The Notice of Allowance did not indicate that the Preliminary  
Amendment filed on May 10, 2002, copy enclosed as Exhibit A, was  
entered. A copy of the return post card is attached in Exhibit A  
indicating that the Preliminary Amendment was received by the United  
States Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants request to be advised  
if this Preliminary Amendment was entered.

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2. The Notice of Allowance did not enclose the initialed Form PTO-1449 for the timely submitted Information Disclosure Statement of May 10, 2002, copy enclosed without references as Exhibit B. A copy of the return post card is attached in Exhibit B indicating that the Information Disclosure Statement was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants request to be advised if this Information Disclosure Statement was considered and requests return of the initialed form PTO-1449.

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3. The Notice of Allowance did not enclose the initialed Form PTO-1449 for the timely submitted Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement of September 25, 2002, copy enclosed without references as Exhibit C. A copy of the return post card is attached in Exhibit C indicating that the Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was received by the United States Patent and Trademark Office. Applicants request to be advised if this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement was considered and requests return of the initialed form PTO-1449.

Applicants note that the Art Unit was incorrectly identified in this documents, however, the Serial Number was correctly identified in each document.

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Should the Examiner have any questions regarding this Communication, the Examiner is invited to contact one of the undersigned attorneys at (312) 704-1890.

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